AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0039] as follows:

[0039] FIGS. 1A (comprising probe DNA SEQ ID NO:1) and 1B (comprising probe

DNA SEQ ID NO:2) are explanatory drawings showing the loop structure of probe DNA

according to the present invention.

Please replace paragraph [0040] as follows:

[0040] FIGS. 2A (comprising probe RNA SEQ ID NO:3) and 2B (comprising probe

RNA SEQ ID NO:4) are explanatory drawings showing the loop structure of probe RNA

according to the present invention.

Please replace paragraph [0041] as follows:

[0041] FIG. 3 is an explanatory drawing showing another loop structure of probe RNA

(SEQ ID NO:5) according to the present invention.

Please replace paragraph [0042] as follows:

[0042] FIG. 4 is an explanatory drawing showing another loop structure of probe RNA

(SEQ ID NO:6) according to the present invention.

Please replace paragraph [0043] as follows:

[0043] FIG. 5 is an explanatory drawing showing another loop structure of probe RNA

(SEQ ID NO:7) according to the present invention.